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AMENDMENT AND REMARKS

An Office Action was mailed in the above-captioned application on May 23, 2003. Claims 1-87 are pending. Claims 37-86 are withdrawn from consideration. Examined claims 1-5, 7-36 and 87 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. Claims 1-5, 7-12, 14, 18-23, 27, 29-34 and 37 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over United States Patent No. 4,053,433 of Lee. This action was made final. This Amendment and Remarks document is submitted in response to that Office Action.

AMENDMENT

Please enter the following amendments into the application:

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